

Catholic Parish of St Patrick Guildford

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To Live, Love and Act
Like Jesus

Parish Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday: 8:30am to 3:00pm
Closed daily: 12:30pm to 1:00pm

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6 & 7 June 2026

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

WEEKLY TIMETABLE

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm
Sunday: 8:00am and 10:00am

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday: 9:15am
Wednesday: 9:15am
Thursday: 9:15am
Friday: 9:15am

Sacrament of Penance

Saturday: 4:30pm to 5:15pm

Eucharistic Adoration:

Friday: After the 9:15am Mass, for one hour,
concluding with Benediction



Baptisms: Please contact the Parish Office by telephone (9632.2672) to arrange a Baptism. Baptisms are held every 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month at 11:15am, or during any Sunday Mass, to be negotiated with the Parish Priest. Baptism Preparation will be explained when you contact the Parish Office.



Mass Intentions



Recently Deceased:

Michele Adam, Telesia Sione Mauvaka,
Alaipulotu Ha'angata'ohihifo 'Apio, Lolesio Tini,
Soana Hautaufaao, Hendrua Gunawan

Anniversaries:

Marin Marcic, David Quach, Santan Baptista,
Anna Maria Baptista, Mark Baptista, Leaha
Francois Keletaona, Grga Vulic, Frane & Marija
Marcic, Serge Niclasse, Rita Gonsalves, Annie
Gonsalves, Joseph Tukana

Deceased:

Edgar Montclar, George & Eva Beaini, Nelida
Abaquita, Remegio Abaquita, Sebastian Lobo,
Fr. Louis Breslan, Fr. Rod Bray, Rima &
Bassima Hanna & Family, Peter, Janette, Eid,
Katia & George Majed & Family, Elias, Tony,
Peter & Tony & Family, Abiwahab & Bechara
Families, Errol Perera, Nonilon Padillo,
Carmencita Padillo, Cordeiro Family Deceased
Members, Mansour Ayroul & Family, Danilo
Abaquita, Danielle Jan Abaquita, Grga Vulic,
Gwen Vogt, Doris Salerno, Phyllis Fimognari,
Holy Souls in Purgatory

PARISH PRAYER

Loving God we thank you for being with us
always. Open our hearts to hear your voice.

Help us, Lord, to make this Parish a place of
mercy and hope, where all feel welcomed,
loved, respected, forgiven and encouraged.

In your love and wisdom, help and guide all
of us to be good ambassadors for Christ, both
in service to others and in proclaiming the
Gospel.

Send your Holy Spirit among us Lord so that
we may be filled with your grace and peace as
we go about our lives in this world.

We pray in the name of Jesus.

Amen



LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI) – YEAR A



1ST READING: DEUTERONOMY 8:2-3, 14-16

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy

Moses said to the people: 'Remember how the Lord your God led you for forty years in the wilderness, to humble you, to test you and know your inmost heart - whether you would keep his commandments or not. He humbled you, he made you feel hunger, he fed you with manna which neither you nor your fathers had known, to make you understand that man does not live on bread alone but that man lives on everything that comes from the mouth of the Lord. 'Do not then forget the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery: who guided you through this vast and dreadful wilderness, a land of fiery serpents, scorpions, thirst; who in this waterless place brought you water from the hardest rock; who in this wilderness fed you with manna that your fathers had not known.'

The word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 147:12-15, 19-20

Response: Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

O praise the Lord, Jerusalem!
Zion, praise your God!
He has strengthened the bars of your gates,
he has blessed the children within you. **R.**

He established peace on your borders,
he feeds you with finest wheat.
He sends out his word to the earth
and swiftly runs his command. **R.**

He makes his word known to Jacob,
to Israel his laws and decrees.
He has not dealt thus with other nations;
he has not taught them his decrees. **R.**

2ND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 10:16-17

A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians

The blessing-cup that we bless is a communion with the blood of Christ, and the bread that we break is a communion with the body of Christ. The fact that there is only one loaf means that, though there are many of us, we form a single body because we all have a share in this one loaf.

The word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: JOHN 6:51-52

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord;
whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

Alleluia!

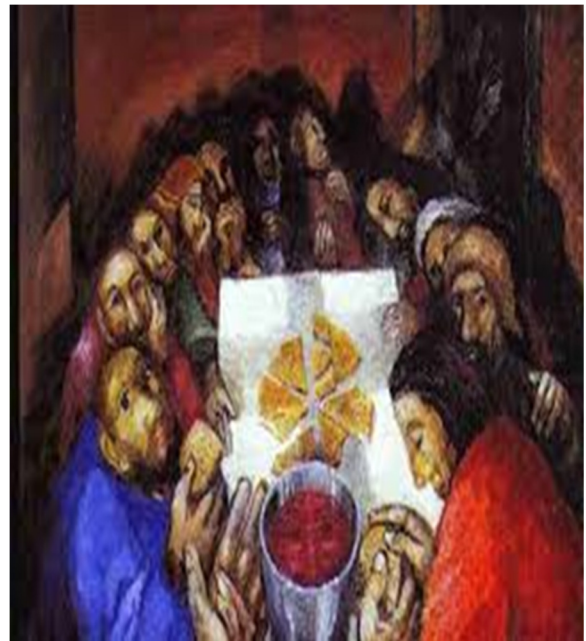
THE GOSPEL: JOHN 6:51-58

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus said to the Jews:

'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.' Then the Jews started arguing with one another: 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' they said. Jesus replied: 'I tell you most solemnly, if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have life in you. Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day. For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him. As I, who am sent by the living Father, myself draw life from the Father, so whoever eats me will draw life from me. This is the bread come down from heaven; not like the bread our ancestors ate: they are dead, but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.'

The Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ



**I am the living bread
from heaven,
whoever eats this bread
will live for ever.**

PARISH NOTICES



FIRST COMMUNION: The Church teaches that children should be prepared to receive Holy Communion as soon as possible after their coming to the age of reason or discretion, i.e. about the age of seven. *It is primarily the duty of parents and of those who take their place, as*

it is the duty of the Parish Priest, to ensure that children who have reached the age of reason are properly prepared and, having made their sacramental confession, are nourished by this divine food as soon as possible. [Code of Canon [Church] Law, Can. 914]. **Parents may collect an Enrolment Form for First Holy Communion, after Sunday Masses – Saturday 5:30pm, Sunday 8:00am and 10:00am.** The Eucharist is the memorial of Christ's death and resurrection. Let us pray for each other and especially for the families who will be preparing our young parishioners to receive Jesus, for the first of many times, in Holy Communion.

THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS – FRIDAY, 12 JUNE – CHANGE OF MASS TIME: Please be advised that **Mass will commence at 9:00am NOT 9:15am on Friday, 12 June (the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus).** Our Primary School will be joining us at the 9:00am Mass.

1ST AND 2ND COLLECTION COUNTER'S ROSTER: The new roster for the 2026/2027 financial year is now available for collection from the Sacristy.

PLANNED GIVING OFFERING ENVELOPES: The Planned Giving Offering envelopes for the 2026/2027 financial year are available in the foyer of the Church for those parishioners who contribute. If any parishioner would like to contribute, please contact the Parish Office during office hours (9632.2672) and a set of envelopes can be arranged for you.

MORNING TEA AFTER 10:00AM MASS — 7 JUNE: We would like to invite everyone to join us for morning tea today and on the following first Sundays. Tea, coffee and biscuits will be provided. Kids corner! **When:** After the 10:00am Mass. **Where:** At the Parish Hall.

BISHOP'S GOOD WORKS APPEAL: Across Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains, people turn to the Church for care, hope, guidance and belonging. Through the Bishop's Good Works Appeal, our Diocese supports vital ministries including Holy Spirit Seminary, Catholic Care, the Ephpheta Centre and the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine. Over the coming weeks, this Appeal will support Holy Spirit Seminary at Harris Park, helping form the future priests our Diocese will need in the years ahead. Your generosity provides education, spiritual formation, pastoral training and safe accommodation for seminarians as they answer God's call. **Please give generously at: parracatholic.org/appeal.** Thank you for supporting the future priests of our Church.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE: Will be held in the Confessional Room every Saturday from 4:30pm to 5:15pm.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Will be held on Fridays, after the 9:15am Mass, for one hour, concluding with Benediction. This hour will be a quiet time of prayer and reflection.

MASS INTENTIONS: To prevent confusion and assumptions, could parishioners clearly identify if a Mass intention, for publication in the Bulletin, is either **Recently Deceased, Anniversary or Deceased.** It would also be helpful if names were printed clearly on the envelope. Printed envelopes are available at the back of the Church. Thank you for your co-operation.

SMART TAP TO DONATE DEVICE is installed inside the church near the front glass doors. The Smart Tap can be used to make donations to the parish. There are four options from which to choose when making a donation: \$5.00, \$10.00, \$20.00 or "Other Amount" (selected by the donor). This way of donating has been used regularly by parishioners and visitors. On behalf of the Parish Finance Committee, I thank everybody for their generosity.

ST. PATRICK'S SENIOR CITIZEN'S CLUB is for anyone over 55. We meet every two weeks on a Monday at 9:30am in the Parish Hall. All welcome. **For more information, please contact Keith on 9632.5379.**

DIOCESAN NOTICES

POSITIONS VACANT:

Housekeeper Supervisor – Holy Spirit Seminary, Harris Park
Parish Secretary – St. Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta

More details at: parracatholic.org/jobs

NAIDOC DAY CELEBRATION AT WHALAN RESERVE - 9 JULY:

Join us for NAIDOC Day 2026 at Whalan Reserve as we celebrate **50 Years Deadly!** Hosted by Baabayn Aboriginal Corporation and Holy Family Parish, Mt. Druitt and supported by Blacktown City Council, Diocese of Parramatta and Catholic Care WSBM. All welcome to this free community event. **Please register your interest as a volunteer or stallholder:** <https://parracatholic.org/events/naidoc-week-celebration-9-july/>.

ADULT CONFIRMATIONS 2026: The Office for Worship will host a Catechesis and Formation Day for those candidates (16+) interested in receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this year. This will be on Saturday, 29 August, 9:30am–2.00pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre in Blacktown. A light lunch will be provided on the day. It is recommended that all sponsors attend the catechesis day. A contribution of \$40.00 is suggested from the candidates to assist in covering the Catechesis Day.

The Confirmation will take place on Tuesday, 1 September at 7:30pm at the Cathedral. **Please Note:** Enrolment forms and a copy of Baptismal Certificates should be sent to OFW before Monday, 18 August. **For more information, please contact the Office for Worship:** ofw@parracatholic.org or 0460 037 795.

DIOCESAN AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

CYP ANNUAL LIFTED RETREAT FOR 18-35'S - 3-5 JULY: Join young people from Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains at Catholic Youth Parramatta's annual LIFTED Retreat for 18-35 year-olds. (3-5 July at Benedict XVI Retreat Centre, Grose Vale.) Together we will enter a weekend of connection, prayer and reflection on the theme of Abundance, inspired by John 10:10. Whether you're just beginning your faith journey, looking for community or need a mid-year renewal, the LIFTED Retreat welcomes you with open arms. Limited spots available. **Registrations close 19 June.** parracatholic.org/events/lifted-young-adults.

CYP ANNUAL LIFTED RETREAT FOR YEAR 10-12'S - 15 JULY: You're invited to LIFTED Retreat! A one-day retreat for 16-17 year olds from across the Diocese at St. Paul's, Winston Hills on Thursday, 15 July. Together we will enter a weekend of connection, prayer and reflection on the theme of Abundance, inspired by John 10:10. Whether you're just beginning your faith journey, looking for community or need a mid-year renewal, the LIFTED Retreat welcomes you with open arms. Limited spots available. **Registrations close 19 June.** parracatholic.org/events/lifted-high-school.

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS PARISH RAFFLE - PRIZES DRAWN 15 AUGUST: Our Online Parish Raffle to help raise funds towards the construction of a new presbytery for our priest, together with a two-storey residence that will be leased to help ease some of the parish's ongoing financial commitments. This important project will provide suitable accommodation to support the long-term pastoral and spiritual care of our parish community. Funds raised will also contribute towards essential maintenance and improvement works throughout the parish, helping preserve and strengthen our facilities for future generations. **Drawn online:** 12:00pm, Saturday, 15 August. **Purchase tickets here:** <https://www.raffletix.com.au/stthomasaquinas>. Every ticket purchased helps support the future mission and ministry of our parish. We sincerely thank you for your generosity, prayers and support.

BETHANY PILGRIMAGE FOR WOMEN - 29 AUGUST: The theme for 2026 is "Totus Tuus" ("Totally Yours"). There will be a decade of the rosary, reflection and personal prayer at each church. Adoration and Confession will be available at times also. This event is perfect for active women who would like to spend a day in prayer whilst pushing themselves physically in order to pray for themselves or family. Water, snacks and light lunch provided. **Registration is essential** - \$20.00 - www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1569560. **For more information call Victoria on 0494173359 or email: bethanypilgrimage@gmail.com.**

HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS AT OUR LADY OF LOURDES, SEVEN HILLS - 2 JULY: Join us for Eucharistic Adoration with the Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth. An hour with Jesus in prayer and adoration followed by a fellowship at 7:00pm at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, Seven Hills. All are warmly welcome.

SAFEGUARDING FACE-TO-FACE TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES FOR JUNE 2026: There are several face-to-face Safeguarding Training opportunities available throughout June at several parishes. **Please register directly for this training or for other convenient dates and locations by clicking on the training event at:** <https://parracatholic.org/connect/events/?series=safeguarding-training>. **For more information, please email:** safeguardingtraining@parracatholic.org

NOMINATIONS OPEN FOR THE 2026 PAPAL AND DIOCESAN AWARDS: Nominations are now open for the 2026 Papal and Diocesan Awards, recognising individuals – both religious and lay – who have made outstanding contributions to the Catholic Church and its community. Do you know someone who deserves to be recognised? Nominations close at midnight on 30 June 2026. **For more information or to submit a nomination, visit:** parracatholic.org/contribute/papal-diocesan-awards/

FREE LEGAL CLINIC – CATHOLIC CARE, EMERTON: Catholic Care offers free weekly legal advice every Thursday from 11:00am at 11 Emert Parade, Emerton. Areas covered include Family Law, Care and Protection, Local Court matters, Wills and Estates, and Traffic Offences. Bookings are recommended – call 8843.2500. Walk-ins are also welcome.

EUCHARIST28 UPDATE – HEARTS SET ABLAZE! The International Eucharistic Congress in Sydney in 2028 ('Eucharist28') will be a global gathering of the Church centred on the Eucharist, the source and summit of our Christian lives, culminating in a Papal Mass with Pope Leo XIV. It will be a festival of faith, rich with worship, prayer, testimonies, art, music – a truly 'once in a lifetime' experience, and transformative moment for our nation. **For more information and regular updates, please register on the website:** eucharist28.org.

DISCERNMENT RETREAT FOR WOMEN BY THE SISTERS OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF NAZARETH - 4 JULY: The Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth invite women 18-35 for one day discernment retreat on Saturday, 4 July 202, from 9:00am to 4:00pm at 116-132 Quakers Road, Marayong. The retreat offers Mass, adoration, inspiring talks, small group sharing, and quiet reflection time. Bring your questions, your hopes, and an open heart as we listen to God together. Cost is free.

AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY SURVEY - WORLDVIEWS AND WAYS OF LIFE IN AUSTRALIA: ANU researchers are exploring how perceptions and ways of thinking (i.e. worldviews) relate to experiences and ways of living (i.e. participation and inclusion) in Australia. Ensure your community's representation in this meaningful research: Complete the survey (https://anu.au1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0Ao5q9gu3ysrbVQ) and forward on.